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MEMORANDUM FOR: PROJECT DIRECTOR

SUBJECT : Recommended U-2 Assignment

25X1C 1. In anticipation of the assignment of two additional U-2's to Detachment B [REDACTED] the following aircraft assignments by number are recommended:

a. Retain at Detachment B, 351, 352, and 355, all of which are fitted for glove tanks.

b. Install glove tanks on 347 and 359, which are presently at Edwards. It should be noted that this will require returning the set of glove tanks from Detachment C to Edwards which was previously sent to Detachment C. On 1 - 15 July, 347 and 359 would be ferried from Edwards to Adana.

25X1A c. Retain the present inventory at Detachment C until completion of [REDACTED] after which 358 would be ferried to Edwards for indefinite assignment.

25X1A 2. It should be noted that 347 is one of the aircraft which has been borrowed from FOG. It is suggested that 347 be made permanent Project property and that another aircraft, preferably 358, be made FOG property.

25X1A 3. By following the above schedule, it would provide five aircraft at Detachment B, all of which would have glove tanks with one also being [REDACTED]. At Detachment C, after [REDACTED] there would be three aircraft all with glove tanks and one of which would also be [REDACTED]. After relocation of 347, 359 and 358, Edwards inventory would then be 343, 348, 358, and 360 as clean test-bed aircraft, with 348 and 358 being on loan from FOG. As soon as test requirements permit, 348 and 358 should be turned over to FOG. In addition, Edwards would have 344, 349 and 367 which are [REDACTED] modified and presumably will continue to be set aside for [REDACTED] testing. [REDACTED]

25X1A 4. It is realized that this aircraft shuffle and recommended modification for glove tanks is contingent upon final arrangements concerning [REDACTED] and, to a lesser degree, the indefinite continuation of [REDACTED] as it may affect the assignment of 358.

5. If this arrangement is approved, this office will:

a. Inform Edwards that 347 and 359 should be fitted with glove tanks and prepared for ferry to Adana on 1 July and that both should be fitted with B and A-2 hatches and should have System VI provisions.

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b. Inform Detachment C to ship set of glove tanks to Edwards.

c. Arrange with USAF to have 347 redesignated as Project property and designate another aircraft, probably 358, to be placed in the status of "borrowed from FOG." Also inform USAF that return of borrowed aircraft to FOG will be delayed indefinitely.

d. Arrange to have 347 and 359 ferried to Adana through  during the period 1 - 15 July.

e. Arrange to have 358 ferried from Atsugi to Edwards through Eielson as soon as practicable after completion of  25X1A

f. Coordinate with appropriate staff sections for personnel, supply and equipment support as required.

Director of Operations

APPROVED:

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Project Director

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